Selling price of Phosphoric Acid

1930. SHRI ASHOK NATH VERMA : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to refer to the reply to Unstarred Question 1141 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 18th May, 1990; and state the maximum selling price per ton for phosphoric acid fixed by Government for phosphatic fertilizer manufacturers, grade-wise ?

THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI DEVI LAL) : The Government does not fix the selling prices of phosphoric acid supplied to fertilizer units.

The Minerals & Metals Trading Corporation of India Limited, which is the canalising agency, have fixed the price of Rs. 6,924/- MT for phosphoric acid (P205) for the fertilizer manufacturers for the quarter April-June, 1990.

Regularisation of casual workers in C.W.C.

1931. PROF. SOURENDRA BHATTACHARJEE : Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the management of certain Central Warehousing Corporation godowns are compelling casual workers of long standing to accept wages from Handling and Transport contractors to the detriment of the regularisation of their services; and

(b) if so, what steps would be taken to regularise their services?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI RAM PUJAN PATEL) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Funds from State Governments for converting railway lines into broad gauge

1932. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have taken a policy decision to ask State Governments to share half the amount of the total required for converting railway line into broad gauge in their respective States; and

(b) if so, what are the details and reasons therefor ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI AJAY SINGH) :

(a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Irregularities in distribution of import sugar by NCCF at Delhi

1933. SHRI MOHINDER SINGH LATHER : Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state :

(a) whether irregularities in the distribution of imported levy sugar were committed by NCCF officials in Delhi, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) what action was taken against the officials involved in these bunglings as per the Essential Commodities Act/Regulations pertaining to such controlled commodities which are heavily subsidised by Government and are meant for the benefit of the weaker sections of the society ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI RAM PUJAN PATEL) : (a) The NCCF have reported that 15 employees of its Delhi Branch were found responsible for committing irregularities of short credits of the sale proceeds and of shortages of stocks in distribution of imported sugar during 1985-86.